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## **SENSITIVE**

## **MEMORANDUM**

March 7, 2008

TO:

The Commission

THROUGH:

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Staff Director

FROM:

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Chief Compliance Officer

Deborah Ruth Kant

Director, ADR Office

BY:

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SUBJECT:

ADR 451 Democratic Party of Hawaii and Yuriko Sugimura, Treasurer,

Informational Memo on Assignment

The Reports Analysis Division referred RAD 08L-12 to the ADR Office, and the ADR Office has assigned the matter ADR 451. We have included a summary and discussion of the referral for your information. We anticipate initiating ADR 451 on March 12, 2008. Please contact Lynn Fraser if you have any questions or concerns before then. A copy of the referral is in the voting ballots folder.

Summary of Case: The Reports Analysis Division referred the Democratic Party of Hawaii and Yuriko Sugimura, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for a series of reporting errors and other FECA violations during the 2006 election cycle. These errors included excessive, prohibited and other impermissible contributions or transfers, mathematical discrepancies, a failure to provide supporting schedules, a failure to properly itemize contributions from individuals, Federal Election Activity/Levin funds, and issues involving allocated federal and non-federal activity.